GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

PS – PR&RD Department - Allegations of irregularities in execution of works of CC roads, taken up under MGNREGS programme for the financial year 2012-13 executed by the PRI Division, Vizianagaram - Disciplinary proceedings against Sri U.Somulu, Assistant Engineer, PRI Sub-Division, Nellimarla, Vizianagaram District under Rule 20 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification, Control & Appeal) Rules, 1991 – Article of Charges – Orders - Issued.

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PANCHAYAT RAJ AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT (VIG.I) DEPARTMENT

G.O.RT.No. 518 **Dated: 26-05-2016**
Read:

1. Vigilance & Enforcement Department, Vigilance Report No.59 (C.No.481-3/V&E/E2/20132), Dt.25.08.2015.

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ORDER:

It is proposed to hold an inquiry against Sri U.Somulu, Assistant Engineer, PRI Sub-Division, Nellimarla, Vizianagaram District, in accordance with the procedure laid down in Rule 20 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services(CC&A) Rules, 1991.

2. The substance of the imputations of misconduct or misbehaviour in respect of which the inquiry is proposed to be held is set out in the enclosed statement of article of charges (Annexure-I and II). A list of documents by which, and a list of witnesses by whom, the articles of charge are proposed to be sustained are also enclosed (Annexure III and IV).

3. Sri U.Somulu, Assistant Engineer, PRI Sub-Division, Nellimarla, Vizianagaram District, is directed to submit a Written statement of his defence within 10 days of the receipt of this order.

4. Sri U.Somulu, Assistant Engineer, PRI Sub-Division, Nellimarla, Vizianagaram District, is informed that an inquiry will be held only in respect of those articles of charge as are not admitted. He, should, therefore, specifically admit or deny each article of charge.

5. Sri U.Somulu, Assistant Engineer, PRI Sub-Division, Nellimarla, Vizianagaram District, is further informed that if he does not submit his written statement of defence on or before the date specified in para 3 above or otherwise fails or refuses to comply with the provisions of Rule 20 of APCS (CC&A) Rules, 1991 or the orders/directions issued in pursuance of the said rules, the Inquiring Authority may hold the inquiry against him ex parte.

6. Attention of Sri U.Somulu, Assistant Engineer, PRI Sub-Division, Nellimarla, Vizianagaram District, is invited to Rule 24 of the APCS(Conduct) Rules, 1964, under which no Government servant shall bring or attempt to bring any political or outside influence to bear upon any superior authority to further his interest in respect of matter pertaining to his service under the Government. If any representation is received on his behalf from another person in respect of any matter dealt with these proceedings it will be presumed that Sri U.Somulu, Assistant Engineer, PRI Sub-Division, Nellimarla, Vizianagaram District, is aware of such a representation and that it has been made at his instance and action will be taken against him for violation of rule 24 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

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7. The receipt of the order be acknowledged.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

Dr.K.S.JAWAHAR REDDY
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT (PR)

To
Sri U.Somulu, Assistant Engineer, PRI Sub-Division, Nellimarla, Vizianagaram District **through** Engineer-in-Chief, Panchayat Raj, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad.
The Engineer-in-Chief, Panchayat Raj, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad (with a request to serve the charges to the individual and furnish a served copy to Govt.,)
SF/SC.

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Annexure – I

Statement showing the article of charges framed against Sri U.Somulu, Assistant Engineer, PRI Sub-Division, Nellimarla

Charge-1

That Sri U.Somulu, Assistant Engineer, PRI Sub-Division, Nellimarla has involved in allegations of irregularities have executed and recorded 29.40 mts excess length of CC Pavement and caused loss of Rs.89,686/- to the Government Exchequer in Construction of CC road from Pappala Thoudu (H) to Tongali Bangarayya (ST) house in Pinatadivada (V) of Denakada (M) with an estimate cost of Rs.5.31 lakhs and caused loss to Government to a tune of Rs.1,18,814/-.

By his above mentioned act, Sri U.Somulu, Assistant Engineer, PRI Sub-Division, Nellimarla, Vizianagaram District failed to discharge his duties, lack of integrity, devotion to duty and conduct unbecoming of a Government Servant & thereby contravened Rules, 3(1) and 3(2) of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

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ANNEXURE-II

Statement of imputations of misconduct in support of Article of Charges framed against Sri U.Somulu, Assistant Engineer, PRI Sub-Division, Nellimarla

The Vigilance & Enforcement Department vide their report No.59 (C.No.481-3/V&E/E2/2013), dt.25-08-2015 has verified the works of Cement Concrete Roads taken up under MGNREGS programme for the financial year 2012-13 in Srikakulam and Vizianagaram Districts executed by the PRI Sub-Division, Nellimarla, Vizianagaram District for the work "Construction of CC road from Pappala Thoudu (H) to Tongali Bangarayya (ST) house in Pinatadivada (V) of Denakada (M) with an estimate cost of Rs.5.31 lakhs.

The work was administratively approved vide Rc.No.8664/2011, dt.12-03-2013 and technically sanctioned vide DR No.54/2012-13, dt.18-03-2013 for Rs.5.31 lakhs to the PRI Sub-Division, Nellimarla under MGNREGS grant.

Findings of the V&E

1. The CC Pavement executed with M30 grade concrete has fairly achieved the required Strength and the failure of the 3rd specimen will be treated as local failure and necessary recovery will be made from the executing agency for the deficiency observed.

2. An excess length of 29.40 m at CC Pavement is recorded and paid to the agency and caused loss to the Government exchequer for an amount of Rs.89,686/- is proposed as recovery from the executing agency towards recording of excess quantity of CC Pavement with M30 grade.

3. Sand filling underneath the CC Pavement was executed with deficiency in thickness and recovery proposed for an amount of Rs.29,128/- from the executing agency.

4. The Executive Engineer, PRI, Vizianagaram has not check measured and obtained the Compressive Strength results of the CC Pavement before making payment.

5. Internal quality control wing, V&QC, Srikakulam has not inspected the work till the date of V&E inspection, even after lapse of one year after execution of CC Pavement.

Recovery proposed

Name & Designation	Name of the work	Item proposed for recovery	Recovery Amount (Rs.)
Sri U.Somulu, AE	"Construction of CC road from Pappala Thoudu (H) to Tongali Bangarayya (ST) house in Pinatadivada (V) of Denakada (M) with an estimate cost of Rs.5.31 lakhs	i. Excess length recorded for CC Pavement	89,686
		ii. Sand filling under CC pavement	29,128
		Total	1,18,814

The individual has deviated the office procedure for his personal gain and executed and recorded 29.40 mts excess length of CC Pavement and caused loss of Rs.89,686/- to the Government Exchequer in Construction of CC road from Pappala Thoudu (H) to Tongali Bangarayya (ST) house in Pinatadivada (V) of Denakada (M) with an estimate cost of Rs.5.31 lakhs.

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ANNEXURE – III

List of documents by which the articles of charges framed against Sri U.Somulu, Assistant Engineer, PRI Sub-Division, Nellimarla are proposed to be sustained.

Vigilance & Enforcement Department, Vigilance Report No.59 (C.No.481-3/V&E/E2/20132), Dt.25.08.2015.

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ANNEXURE – IV

List of witnesses by whom the articles of charges framed against Sri U.Somulu, Assistant Engineer, PRI Sub-Division, Nellimarla are proposed to be sustained.

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